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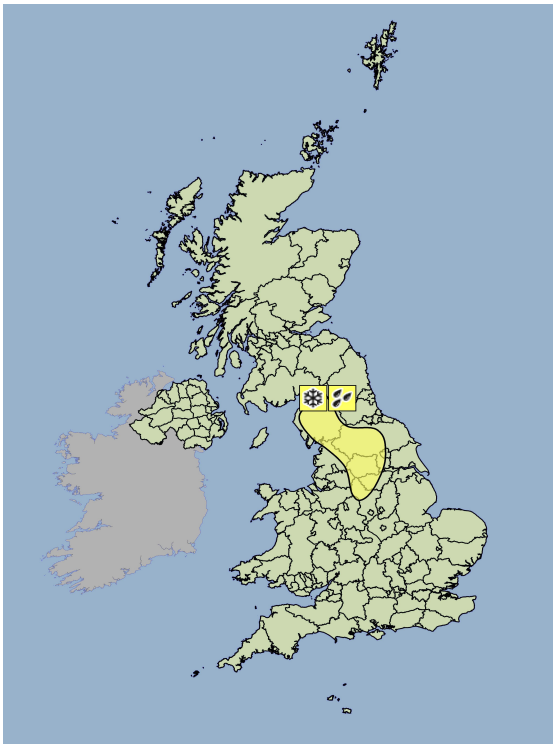

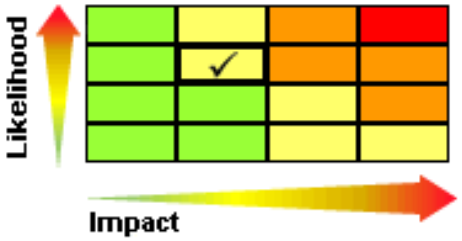

Chief Forecasters Assessment
An area of low pressure, associated with a sharp north-south temperature contrast, is expected to move eastwards across central Britain on Saturday. This has the potential to produce 20 to 40 mm rainfall quite widely, and locally 60 mm on high ground. Lesser amounts are expected in the areas affected by last weeks floods, but may still approach 30-40 mm over the most prone spots.

As the rain encounters cold air over northern England, it is likely to turn to snow, primarily over higher ground. In these situations the exact track of the low pressure and the intensity of the precipitation is critical for the amounts of snow falling.

This warning is likely to be updated as confidence grows in the low track and snow amounts.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning** of **Rain and Snow**

Valid from **09:00 on Sat, 12th Dec 2015** until **20:00 on Sat, 12th Dec 2015**

Rain, heavy at times, looks likely to develop early on Saturday and persist until later in the day. Given saturated ground, some localised flooding is possible as well as disruption to travel. Impacts look like being low for the most part but given existing problems in parts of Lancashire and Cumbria, some isolated medium impacts are possible.

Snowfall will also affect some higher routes. Snow is likely to fall to around 200 m at times with small accumulations likely, but with greater accumulations above around 400 m where over 10 cm is possible. Some snow is briefly possible to low levels in the heaviest precipitation.

Please be aware of the potential for disruption from flooding or from snow during Saturday.

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This warning has been updated to slightly reduce the coverage across Lancashire as the likelihood of snow in low-lying parts here is very low.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

Issued by the Met Office at 12:32 on Fri, 11th Dec 2015

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